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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicants are in receipt of the Restriction Requirement dated May 28, 2002.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I, which includes claims 1-22.

Applicants also enclose herewith a copy of the Written Opinion, issued by the European Patent Office in connection with the International Application corresponding to the present application.

The correspondence address for this application should be as listed below. A separate request to enter that address into the USPTO records is filed herewith. The Restriction was mailed to a different address.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

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